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In re the Application of

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For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DIRECTED ACUITY SEGMENTATION
RESOLUTION COMPRESSION AND DECOMPRESSION

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AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the February 26, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 13 and 15 as follows:

13. (Amended) A method for decompressing compressed image data that is compressed by discarding pixels along a direction parallel to an edge while maintaining pixels along a direction perpendicular to the edge, the method comprising:

decompressing a single byte of compressed data to produce four pixels of non-continuous tone data.

15. (Three Times Amended) A decompression system for decompressing image data, the image data containing non-continuous tone data and continuous tone data, the non-continuous tone data compressed by discarding pixels along a direction parallel to an edge while maintaining pixels along a direction perpendicular to the edge, the system comprising: